(Rs. in crores)

	Plan	Non-Plan
Department of ISM&H	120.00	45.56
Department of Health	1426.74	1314.38
Department of Family Welfare	4210.00	752.28

News-item "Resident Doctors work in squalid condition"

51. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has drawn to the news-item captioned "Resident Doctors work in squalid condition" published in the Times of India, dated 1st July, 2001;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto in relation to Central Government Hospitals; and

(c) whether Government would consider constituting a Committee for looking into their problems and suggesting remedy for them?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. P. THAKUR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The resident doctors are allotted accommodation as per the availability in the campus of Dr. RML Hospital, Safdarjung Hospital and LHMC & Associated Hospitals and no licence fee is charged from the resident doctors for the accommodation provided. However, those who have not been provided with accommodation are entitled for house rent allowance as per rules. Potable water and electricity are provided free of charges. Mess/canteen facility is directly managed by the resident doctors association in the respective hospitals. Safaikarmacharis have been provided to clean the toilet and premises of the hostel. In case, any problem is noticed, the same is resolved by wardens/head of the institution.

(c) In view of (b) above, there is no such proposal.